## Embassy of the United States of America

## Press Release

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The flag at the U.S. Embassy in Oslo has been lowered to half-mast today to commemorate the tragic loss of life at Virginia Tech.

Along with President Bush, I pass the condolences of the American community to those who suffered a loss in this tragic event. This was a day of sadness for our nation, and in times of sadness it is important that we can turn to friends and loved ones for support. Therefore we deeply appreciate the supportive phone calls we've received here at the Embassy from our concerned Norwegian friends, and appreciate the comfort they offer to the victims of this tragedy. For those who wish to share their support, we've established a link on our webpage where you can send a message of condolence. We appreciate your concern, and will pass your messages to Virginia Tech officials to share with students and their families.

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